Sl.No.	State/Union Territories	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
23	Tripura	5407	5677	5960
24	Uttar Pradesh	43679	45862	48154
25	West Bengal	50084	52587	55216
26	Andaman & Nicobar	1607	1687	1771
27	Chandigarh	53	54	55
28	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	221	232	243
29	Delhi	735	771	809
30	Lakshadweep	52	54	56
31	Pondicherry	210	220	231
32	Chhattisgarh	10447	10969	11517
33	Jharkhand	13965	14663	15396
34	Uttaranchal	13125	13781	14470
	TOTAL:	525150	551385	579646

Road Projects from Maharashtra

697. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a number of road projects from the State of Maharashtra for the consideration of Central Road Fund during the last two years;

(b) the details of project finally sanctioned; and

(c) the reasons for the pending projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 138 number of projects amounting to Rs. 237.32 crore have been sanctioned during last two years;

(c) Approval of State road projects with Central Road Fund is regulated as per Ministry's guidelines. The approval of projects to be funded under

Central Road Fund Scheme are based on yearly accrual to the State under Central Road Fund, projects already approved and utilization of funds released to the State. The reasons for pendency of the projects are non-receipt of utilization of released funds and limited yearly accrual for State roads under the Central Road Fund.

KVIC in Uttaranchal

698. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of units proposed to be set-up and number of people likely to be provided employment during the current Plan period by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission;

(b) whether any target has also been fixed to set-up units in the State of Uttaranchal to provide employment in this State; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) Under the Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP) of the Government being implemented by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), the targets are to set up 1,32,662 units and to generate 25 lakh additional employment opportunities during the current plan period in the country.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. During 2004-05, the targets under the REGP is to set up 500 units generating 10,000 jobs in Uttaranchal.

ARIs in Maharashtra

699. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to boost up the grass-root agro-based industries to generate additional income and employment in rural areas, particularly in Maharashtra; and

(b) if so, the steps taken so by the Government in this regard?